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## TO-DAY IN HISTORY.

### Christmas Eve—Battle of Trenton—December 24.

To-night is Christmas Eve, the beginning of the greatest festival of all church festivals. In all parts of the world preparations will be concluded to-night for the fitting celebration of the birth of our Saviour to-morrow. The eves of vigils of the different ecclesiastical festivals of the Christian year are, according to the strict rule of canonical rule, times of fasting and penance, but as in the case of All Saints' Eve and of Christmas Eve, common custom has ignored and incontinently transformed them into seasons of mirth and jollity.

Perhaps nothing better can describe this than Sir Walter Scott does in "Marmion":

On Christmas Eve the bells were rung;  
"On Christmas Eve the bells were rung;  
That only night in all the year,  
Saw the daisied priest the chalice rear.  
The daisied priest the chalice rear,  
The hall was dressed with holly green;  
Forth to the wood did merry men go  
To gather in the mistletoe."

To-night in all parts of the world where Christmas is celebrated—and there are very few countries in which it is not—the Christmas tree will be set up in the home, the stockings will be hung by the fireplace, and the Christmas carols will be sung on the streets. The time and manner of the introduction of the Christmas tree into any land is extremely indefinite; legends exist in many countries which, though of no historical value, suggest, at least, the age of the custom. In a French romance as far back as the thirteenth century the hero finds a giant tree, whose branches are covered with burning candles, and on the top the vision of a child with a halo around his curly head. It was explained that the tree represents mankind, the child the Saviour, and the candles good and bad human beings. By an old German legend, St. Winifred is made the deceiver of the idea. In the midst of a crowd of converts according to this story, he attempted to hew down an oak which had been the object of their Druidic worship, when a whirling wind passed over the forest, rending the giant tree from the ground, but leaving behind the ruin a young fir tree.

St. Winifred then said to the people: "This little tree, a young child of the forest, shall be your holy tree to-night; it is the wood of peace, for your houses are built of fir; it is a sign of endless life, for its leaves are always green. Let this be called the tree of the Christ child; gather about it, not in the wild wood, but in your homes; there it will shelter no deeds of blood, but loving gifts and rites of kindness." So another tale bestows upon Martin Luther the honor of originating the practice, he having used, on a Christmas night, a fir tree lighted with candles to illustrate to his children the beauty of the stars shining from a clear sky.

Real seers after the history of the Christmas tree have concluded, however, that it may be a revival of the fir trees of the Roman saturnalia, and still others think it may be derived from the ancient Egyptian practice of decking houses, at the time of the winter solstice, with branches of the date palm, which was the symbol of life triumphant over death. These vague traditions, no doubt, led to the permanent establishment of the Christmas tree.

As a regular institution, it can be traced back to the sixteenth century. An authentic manuscript speaks of its appearance in Strasburg, though it was not generally adopted throughout Germany till the nineteenth century. It was the marriage of Queen Victoria to a German prince that led to the adoption of the custom in England, and it was brought to this country by the German immigrants.

It was on Christmas Eve, in 1776, when one of the most picturesque events of the Revolutionary war took place—Washington's crossing of the Delaware near Trenton. At the twilight hour, as the earliest stars began to twinkle on that cold Christmas night, the little army of 2,400 men began their struggle with the foe and the rapid current. It required many hours. By midnight the sky was overcast and snow was falling; but by 4 o'clock in the morning the entire army was safely landed on the Jersey shore. They marched the nine miles to the city. The enemy was wholly unprepared. The battle was sharp and decisive, and was all over in three-quarters of an hour. The American victory was complete. Washington always afterward declared that it was the happiest Christmas of his life.

On December 24, 1784, the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States was organized; the treaty of peace was signed between the United States and Great Britain in 1814 at Ghent, and part of the Capitol and all of the Library of Congress was burned at Washington in 1814. To-day is the birthday of Caliban, Roman Emperor (3 B. C.); King John of England (1199); William Warburton (1731); Christopher ("Kit") Carson (1809); Henry Russell, the song writer (1815); Matthew Arnold, the poet (1822); and William Frederick Poole, the librarian (1832). It is the date of the death of Vasco da Gama, Portuguese navigator; Mme. de Genlis, authoress (1830); Hugh Miller, geologist (1856); and the novelist Thackeray in 1862.



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## SMITH ATTACKED AGAIN BY WILSON

### Governor-elect Says Candidate Broke Promises.

#### STATEMENT STIRS NEW JERSEY

**Situation in Senatorial Race Intensified When Princetonian Declares Boss Was Pledging Nominations When He Promised Not to Run—Asked to Withdraw.**

New York, Dec. 23.—Interest in the New Jersey Senatorial situation was intensified today by the appearance of Gov.-elect Wilson's promised second formal statement.

He says today that he received assurances from "the gentleman who was acting as Mr. Smith's spokesman" that the state of Mr. Smith's health would not permit his return to the United States Senate and that he (Mr. Smith) did not desire the Senatorship. The governor-elect also charges Mr. Smith with secretly campaigning for the Senatorship "at the very time I was told he would not desire the seat."

The statement said, in part:

"In view of Mr. James Smith, Jr.'s, public avowal of his candidacy for the seat in the Senate of the United States to be vacated by the Hon. John W. Keane, it becomes my duty to lay before the voters of the State the facts and the reasons why it seems to me that Mr. Smith and not Mr. Smith should be sent to the Senate.

"Before I consented to allow my name to be put before the Democratic State Convention for the Governorship, I asked the gentleman who was acting as Mr. Smith's spokesman if Mr. Smith would desire to return to the Senate. I was assured that he would not.

**Had Made Agreement.**

"I subsequently learned that at the very time I was told that he would not desire the seat he had made an agreement with the leader of the Hudson County organization that the vote of the Hudson County members in the legislature would be cast for him as Senator in case the legislature should be Democratic.

"I said in my former statement regarding this matter that if Mr. Smith should be sent to the United States Senate he would not go as the representative of the people. I meant that he would go as the representative of particular interests in the State, with which it is well known he has always been identified.

"John W. Griggs, in a letter recently published, has contended that for taking part in this matter and has thereby affirmed the impression that he also has clients who are interested in being represented in the Senate by Mr. Smith."

Another event which increased political excitement in Essex County especially, was a published formal statement by Assemblyman-elect James P. Mylod, in effect, was a withdrawal of his signature from the letter signed by the eleven Essex County assemblymen asking Mr. Smith to become a candidate for United States Senator.

**Asks Both to Withdraw.**

Mr. Mylod's open letter counsels both Smith and Martine to withdraw and prevent a party split.

Mr. Mylod was the last of the eleven to sign the letter to Mr. Smith. The letter was contrary to his judgment, he says, but he signed as a matter of party regularity when he learned that his ten associates had signed "after what was represented to me as a full, fair, open, and frank discussion of the wisdom of the endorsement, but which I now have very good reason to believe was anything but so represented."

**WILSON IN CONFERENCE WITH MEMBERS-ELECT**

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 23.—Following his return from New York early this afternoon, Gov.-elect Woodrow Wilson explained his position on the Senatorial question to five more members-elect of the New Jersey legislature. They were McLaughlin, of Union; Matthews, of Hunterdon; Dr. Ramsey, of Middlesex, and two Bergen County delegates.

To-day's conference were along the same general lines as those previously held by Dr. Wilson with Democratic legislators. He did not ask the members' pledges for Martine but explained his reasons for the stand he had been holding in the matter.

Dr. Wilson, in an interview, denied the story from Illinois to the effect that Roger Sullivan had offered to support him for President at the 1912 convention if Dr. Wilson would discontinue his fight against James Smith, Jr.

Dr. Wilson said that he had nothing to add to his statement of this afternoon. He declined to name the "personal representative" of Mr. Smith mentioned in his story of the ante-convention negotiations over the gubernatorial nomination.

**"PADLOCK" BILL PASSED.**

**Prime Minister Canalejas Disavows Hostility to Religious Orders.**

Madrid, Dec. 23.—After an all-night session in the chamber, by a vote of 168 to 20, to-day passed the "padlock" bill, which deals with the religious congregations. The eleven Carlists and their integral allies kept up a persistent obstruction. Seventy amendments offered by them were discussed and rejected.

Prime Minister Canalejas wound up an eloquent speech by disavowing hostility to the religious orders, but he insisted upon their noninterference in politics and declared that they must not be allowed to absorb industries.

**Nineteen Officers Appointed.**

The Treasury Department yesterday approved the appointment of nineteen third lieutenants in the Revenue-cutter Service from the class of cadets which was graduated from the school of instruction at New London, Conn., last week.

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## INAUGURATION IN CHILE.

**Senor Lazo, the New President, Long in Public Life.**

Ramon Barros Lazo, the new President of Chile, was inaugurated yesterday, according to a dispatch received at the State Department from H. P. Fletcher, American Minister at Santiago.

The new President was born in Santiago in 1835, and was educated in the National Institute of Chile. He first came into prominence through a series of articles supporting the government of Manuel Montt and its project of railroad building in 1858.

Since that time he has been prominent public affairs of Chile. He aided in the overthrow of the Balcanista government, and in 1903 was made vice president of Chile.

## OPPOSE JUDSON'S PLAN.

**Brightwood Park Citizens Want Teachers' Control Unchanged.**

The Brightwood Park Citizens' Association passed resolutions Thursday night opposing the plan of Commissioner Judson to transfer the control of the public schools of the District to the District Commissioners. The methods of the present board of education were commended in the resolution.

A committee was appointed to confer with the House Committee on the District on alleged discrimination against the teachers of the McKinley Manual Training School. The association believes the teachers of that school should be treated the same as those employed in other schools of the District.

## WILL RAISE THE PURITAN.

**Wrecking Company Will Deliver the Monitor at Norfolk.**

A contract was awarded by the Navy Department yesterday to the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company for raising the monitor Puritan, which sank in the Newport News Middle Grounds after an ordnance test several weeks ago. The wrecking company agreed to raise the Puritan and deliver her to the Norfolk Navy Yard for the sum of \$23,000. Work will begin immediately.

The Navy Department was unable to raise the Puritan because it did not have adequate wrecking apparatus, and to undertake the work a considerable outlay in purchasing additional pumps and other wrecking material would have to be made.

A bid of \$23,500 for raising the monitor was received from the Hudson Transportation Company, of Norfolk.

## NEW COMMANDANT OF CADETS.

**Capt. Sladen Succeeds Lieut. Col. Sibley at West Point.**

Announcement was made at the War Department yesterday that Lieut. Col. Frederick W. Sibley, Fourth Cavalry, had been relieved, at his own request, of his present duty as commandant of cadets at the Military Academy at West Point.

He will be succeeded by Capt. Fred W. Sladen, Fourteenth Infantry, now on duty as secretary to the General Staff of the Army. Capt. Sladen's tour of duty on the General Staff will expire shortly.

Lieut. Col. Sibley will be detailed for duty in the Inspector General's Department about January 1, vice Lieut. Col. Wilbur E. Wilder, who has been promoted. A successor to Capt. Sladen as secretary of the General Staff has not yet been selected.

Capt. Sladen will assume his new duties as commandant of cadets about February 1. He is a native of Massachusetts, and was appointed to the army from Nebraska. He was appointed to the Military Academy on June 1, 1885. Upon his discharge in 1890 he was assigned to the Fourteenth Infantry. He is forty-three years old. He was associated with Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Barry, superintendent of the Academy, when the latter was on the staff of Gen. Otis in the Philippines several years ago.

## BILL IS AIMED AT LARCENY.

**Provides Punishment for Theft from District Workhouse.**

Provision for punishing the larceny of public property from the workhouse and reformatory of the District is sought in a bill forwarded last night to the chairman of the Senate and House District committees by the Commissioners. The early consideration and passage of the bill is urged.

The object of the proposed legislation as outlined in the letter accompanying the draft is to enable the District authorities to take action within the District or the jurisdiction of the United States in cases where escaping prisoners carry with them clothing provided them by the District term of sentence, or other public property.

As the workhouse is in Virginia, it has heretofore been impossible to prosecute within the District, notwithstanding the fact that the escaping prisoners may have brought the stolen property here. A test case was brought in the Court of Appeals in November, resulting in a verdict for the defendant, after which Corporation Counsel Thomas was requested by the Commissioners to draft new legislation.

## URGES CLERKS' RETIREMENT.

**Month's Annual Leave Also Favored for Railway Mail Men.**

In his annual report, made public yesterday, Second Assistant Postmaster General Stewart recommends that Congress give consideration to the question of providing for the retirement of railway postal clerks incapacitated for further duty by reason of advanced age or physical disability. He also recommends that leave not exceeding twelve additional months with pay at 50 per cent of their annual salary be granted railway postal clerks who are seriously injured so as not to be able to resume duty, and that railway mail clerks be granted thirty days' annual vacation.

According to the report, there are 26,451 mail routes of all kinds in the United States, excepting railroad routes maintained at an expenditure of \$1,700,000 per annum, and 2,555 railroad routes maintained at an annual expenditure of \$44,521,600.

## APPEAL TO CHAMP CLARK.

**Friends of Candidate Jackson Get Little Encouragement.**

Indianapolis, Dec. 23.—The visit of Champ Clark, the next Speaker of the House, is proving something of a disappointment to the Democrats who wanted to impress him with the special fitness of Sergeant-at-Arms of the United States House of Representatives. Mr. Clark has resisted all efforts to bring him out on the question, and Jackson's friends have about concluded that the influence of the Missouri cannot be depended upon for him.

Some of the Democrats did not think it would be wise to ask the aid of Mr. Clark, but others thought it might be secured by the tactful eulogy of Jackson. The next Speaker was dumb to the appeal and did not show a great deal of interest.

## Cuba to Build Ships.

The State Department has been informed that the Cuban government has invited proposals for the construction of six vessels for the coast guard service. They will be six feet in draft, capable of ten knots speed, and must be constructed of Cuban woods. The bids will close on January 8 next.



## Our Poet's Farewell And Warning.

He will not address you again for another year. In bidding you farewell and wishing all a Merry Christmas, in megaphone voice, he adds a last warning—a visit this morning, if you would avoid the afternoon crush of the day before the day of days. His task is done.

## Handkerchiefs Reduced

Christmas Boxes Free.

21c

Some Were 50c

79c

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## Raincoats at \$3.44 and \$6.44.

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## ARMY AND NAVY.

### Army Orders.

Capt. MANUS McCLASKY, Fifth Field Artillery, will proceed at the proper time to West Point, N. Y., and report on or about April 1, 1911.

Capt. CHARLES P. SUMMERALL, Second Field Artillery, is relieved from duty at the United States Military Academy and will proceed at the proper time to San Francisco, Cal., and will take the transport to sail from that place on or about May 5, 1911, for the Philippine Islands.

By direction of the President, Maj. DAVID J. BAKER, Jr., Eleventh Infantry, is detailed for service and to fill a vacancy in the Assistant Quartermaster's Department, to take effect May 21, 1911, vice Maj. WILLIAM H. SAGE, assistant quartermaster, who is relieved from duty in that department and is assigned to the Eleventh Infantry.

### Naval Orders.

Midshipman R. M. JAEGER, to duty Panther, Cable from the Commander-in-Chief, United States Asiatic Fleet, dated Manila, P. I., Dec. 22, 1910; Commander W. A. EDWARDS, detached duty Monterey, to duty Wilmington.

### Marine Corps Orders.

Second Lieut. JOHN MARSTON, 3d, appointed Acting Assistant Quartermaster, U. S. M. C., from January 1, 1911, for duty as post quartermaster and to fill a vacancy in the Assistant Quartermaster's Department, U. S. M. C., San Francisco, Cal., to take effect May 21, 1911, vice Maj. C. G. LONG, to Washington, D. C., December 19, 1910; repeated travel authorized.

Maj. HENRY LEONARD, return to Portsmouth, N. H., and resume duties.

Capt. J. O. FRECKINRIDGE, detached Camp Elwell, Cal., to duty at Naval Prison, navy yard, Portsmouth, N. H., relieving First Lieut. E. F. EORTSON.

Lieut. Col. E. K. COLLE, granted leave of absence for twenty-two days from December 28, 1910, to January 19, 1911, to Washington, D. C., December 19, 1910; repeated travel authorized.

Lieut. Col. F. J. MOSES, appointed member marine examining board, to convene at Washington, D. C., December 19, 1910; repeated travel authorized.

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First Lieut. ARTHUR STOKES, to Naval Medical School Hospital, Washington, D. C., for observation and treatment.

Col. L. W. T. WALLER, appointed a member of general court-martial to convene at the navy yard, Philadelphia, Pa., January 4, 1911.

Col. GEORGE BAILEY, appointed a member of general court-martial to convene at the navy yard, Philadelphia, Pa., January 4, 1911.

Lieut. Col. J. A. LEONARD, appointed a member of general court-martial to convene at the navy yard, Philadelphia, Pa., January 4, 1911.

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First Lieut. F. H. THORPE, granted leave of absence for fifteen days from December 22, 1910, with permission to apply for fifteen days' extension.

First Lieut. B. S. BERRY, granted leave of absence for twelve days from December 23, 1910.

Lieut. Col. H. L. LANE, A. & L., appointed special disbursing agent for duty under paymaster's department, U. S. M. C., San Francisco, Cal., during absence of Lieut. Col. DAWSON.

Lieut. Col. W. C. DAWSON, A. P. M., appointed judge advocate of general court-martial to convene at navy yard, Puget Sound, Wash., January 2, 1911.

Maj. S. D. BUTLER, granted leave of absence in the United States for nine days.

First Lieut. C. E. GIGGEXHEIM, appointed a member of the general court-martial at the navy yard, New York, N. Y., in place of First Lieut. D. S. BERRY, relieved.

**Postal Inspector Named.**

Postmaster General Hitchcock announced yesterday the appointment of James O'Connell, of California, as inspector in charge of the postoffice inspection division, with headquarters at Spokane, Wash., and comprising the States of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Montana, and also Alaska.

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